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TO AMEMBASSY CARACAS IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN, PO, VE

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PORTUGAL

REF: STATE 127729

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THE JUNE 22 MEETING.

2. THE U.S. APPRECIATES CONTINUED GOV SUPPORT FOR
PORTUGUESE DEMOCRACY EXPRESSED AT THE MAY 16 MEETING AND
SEES THIS AS AN INDICATION OF THE GOVS COMMITMENT TO
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